

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows.

1. (Currently Amended) A switch for electrically connecting a first terminal with a second terminal ~~electrically~~confronting the first terminal, comprising:
~~the first terminal;~~
~~the second terminal confronting said first terminal;~~
a driving mean[[s]] having a fixed end and a free end in a longitudinal direction
for driving said first terminal in the direction of said second terminal; and
an electrostatic coupling section including a first electrode and a second electrode confronting each other for attracting said first terminal in the direction of said second terminal by electrostatic force, said electrostatic coupling section being disposed closer to said free end of said driving mean than a location of the first terminal.
2. (Currently Amended) The switch as claimed in claim 1, wherein said driving means drives said first terminal in the direction of said second terminal by an electric power supply.
3. (Original) The switch as claimed in claim 1, further comprising electric power supply means for supplying electric power to at least either said driving means or said electrostatic coupling section.
4. (Original) The switch as claimed in claim 1, further comprising a third terminal confronting said first terminal, wherein
said first terminal connects said second terminal with said third terminal electrically by said first terminal contacting said second terminal and said third terminal.
5. (Original) The switch as claimed in claim 1 wherein, said driving means comprises a moving section which hold said first terminal and is driven in the direction of said second terminal.

6. (Original) The switch as claimed in claim 5, further comprising:
a wiring provided at said moving section with one end of said wiring connecting with said first terminal; and
a third terminal connecting with another end of said wiring, wherein
said first terminal connects said second terminal with said third terminal electrically by contacting said second terminal.
7. (Withdrawn) The switch as claimed in claim 5, further comprising:
a wiring provided at said moving section with one end of said wiring connecting with said first terminal;
a third terminal connecting with another end of said wiring; and
a fourth terminal confronting said third terminal, wherein
said driving means drives said third terminal in the direction of said fourth terminal, and
said electrostatic coupling section further comprises a third electrode and a fourth electrode confronting each other for attracting said third terminal in the direction of said fourth terminal by electrostatic force.
8. (Original) The switch as claimed in claim 5, further comprising a supporting section for supporting said moving section, wherein
said first terminal is provided between said supporting section and said first electrode.
9. (Withdrawn) The switch as claimed in claim 5, further comprising a supporting section for supporting said moving section, wherein
said first electrode is provided between said supporting section and said first terminal.

10. (Withdrawn) The switch as claimed in claim 5, further comprising two of said electrostatic coupling sections, wherein
said first electrodes of said two electrostatic coupling sections are provided in a direction perpendicular to a longitudinal direction of said moving section on both sides of said first terminal.
11. (Currently Amended) The switch as claimed in claim 5, wherein ~~width of a part, where said first terminal in said~~ the moving section comprises at least one narrower part including the first terminal ~~is provided, is narrower than width of another part.~~
12. (Original) The switch as claimed in claim 5, wherein said moving section comprises a plurality of components having different coefficients of thermal expansion from one another.
13. (Withdrawn) The switch as claimed in claim 5, wherein said moving section comprises shape memory alloy.
14. (Withdrawn) The switch as claimed in claim 13, wherein said driving means further comprises a heater for heating said shape memory alloy.
15. (Original) The switch as claimed in claim 5, further comprising:
a substrate on which said second terminal is provided; and
a supporting section provided on said substrate for supporting said moving section.
16. (Withdrawn) The switch as claimed in claim 15, wherein said driving means further comprises first magnetic material provided at said moving section, and second magnetic material provided at said substrate.

17. (Withdrawn) The switch as claimed in claim 1, wherein said driving means comprises a heater for heating a plurality of components in which said coefficients of thermal expansion are different from one another.

18. (Withdrawn) The switch as claimed in claim 1, wherein said driving means comprises a piezoelectric element.

19. (Currently Amended) A switch for electrically connecting a first terminal with a second terminal ~~electrically~~confronting said first terminal, comprising:

~~the first terminal;~~

~~the second terminal confronting said first terminal;~~

a driving mean[[s]] having a fixed end and a free end in a longitudinal direction

for driving said first terminal in the direction opposite to said second terminal; and

an electrostatic coupling section including a first electrode and a second electrode confronting each other for attracting said first terminal in the direction of said second terminal by electrostatic force, said electrostatic coupling section being disposed closer to said free end of said driving mean than a location of the first terminal.

20. (Currently Amended) An integrated circuit device in which a plurality of switches for electrically connecting a first terminal with a second terminal ~~electrically~~ are provided on a substrate, wherein said switches comprises:

~~a first terminal;~~

~~a second terminal confronting said first terminal;~~

a driving mean[[s]] having a fixed end and a free end in a longitudinal direction

for driving said first terminal in the direction of said second terminal; and

an electrostatic coupling section including a first electrode and a second electrode confronting each other for attracting said first terminal in the direction of said second terminal by electrostatic force, said electrostatic coupling section being disposed closer to said free end of said driving mean than a location of the first terminal.